

Application Serial No.: 10/686,199

RESTRICTION PRESENTED

The claims have been restricted into the following groups of inventions:

<u>Groups</u>	<u>Claims</u>	<u>Subject Matter</u>
I	1-17	Drawn to a method for obtaining <i>in vivo</i> binding partners of a protein comprising expressing a fusion protein of interest and a post-translational modification sequence in a cell and separating said protein of interest from a cellular extract.
II	18-19	Drawn to an expression vector encoding a fusion protein comprising a protein of interest and a post-translational modification sequence, and host cells comprising said vector.

APPLICANTS' ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I claims 1 through 17, drawn to a method for obtaining *in vivo* binding partners of a protein comprising expressing a fusion protein of interest and a post-translational modification sequence in a cell and separating said protein of interest from a cellular extract, for prosecution at this time.

REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are now pending in the subject U.S. patent application. Claims 1-19 as filed have been subjected to a Restriction/Election Requirement.

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement, applicants have elected the claims of Group I, claims 1-17, for prosecution at this time.

Applicants hereby reserve the right to file one or more divisional patent applications directed to the unelected subject matter.

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CONCLUSIONS

Should there be any minor issues outstanding in this matter, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney. Early passage of the subject application to issue is earnestly solicited.

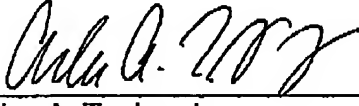
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